## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA

STATE OF OKLAHOMA,	)
Plaintiff,	)
,	)
v.	) Case No: 05-CV-0329-GKF-SAJ
TYSON FOODS, INC., et al.	)
	)
Defendants.	)

## AFFIDAVIT OF R. JAN STEVENSON, Ph.D.

- I, R. Jan Stevenson, Ph.D., of lawful age, being duly sworn upon oath, state:
- 1. I hold a Ph.D. from the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor. Since 1999, I have been a Professor in the Department of Zoology, Michigan State University. Since 2004, I have been the Co-Director of the Center for Water Sciences, Michigan State University. I am President of the North American Benthological Society for the year ending May 28, 2008.
- 2. I have been retained by the Oklahoma Attorney General as an expert witness for the Plaintiff, State of Oklahoma ("State") in the above-captioned litigation. In particular, I have been asked prepare an expert report containing my case-specific opinions and analysis in the areas of biology and river ecology, sources of pollution and the ecological impacts of pollution. Per the Court's Scheduling Order, my expert report is due to be submitted to the Defendants by May 15, 2008.
- 3. This spring has been a very busy time for me. I have major responsibilities as a Professor at Michigan State University that had to be fulfilled during the last semester. I am principal investigator on 5 major projects that have come to an

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end. They required reports. As Director of the Center for Water Sciences, I was part of a delegation to China to provide advice for solving problems with nutrient pollution that is causes algal blooms and human health problems. I was part of two national EPA workgroups on wetlands assessment. I was responsible for assembling a multi-investigator proposal to the National Science Foundation for a special graduate program in environmental science. Toward the end of the semester I had to complete work with my graduate students and the North American Benthological Society. My six students had to prepare annual reports and plan their summer research. The Annual Meeting of the North American Bentho-logical Society starts May 24, for which I have had major administrative responsibilities. These academic and professional demands have taken me away from complete dedication on my work on the expert report. This report has involved extensive data analysis and synthesis, which also required results from other expert reports. Indeed, due to recent academic and professional responsibilities as well as the amount of work required to analyze critical data for this report, work on my expert report was unavoidably delayed.

4. For the above-stated reasons, I will need at least an additional week, or seven (7) days, to complete my report.

FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.

I declare under penalty of perjury, under the laws of the United States of America, that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2008.

R. Jan Stevenson, Ph.D.

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